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SUBJECT: IEA - AGREEMENT FOR NORWEGIAN AFFILIATION

REF: STATE 16967

1. FCO OFFICIALS WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH DEPUTY LEGAL ADVISER SCHWEBEL TO DISCUSS LEGAL ASPECTS OF AFFILIATION QUESTION. SCHWEBEL IS INVITED TO MEET WITH IAN SINCLAIR, SECOND LEGAL ADVISER, FCO, AND FRANK BERMAN, LEGAL ADVISER TO ENERGY DEPARTMENT, FCO, ON FEBRUARY 4 AT 10:30 A.M.

2. INITIAL OFF-THE-CUFF REACTION OF FENN (FCO ENERGY) TO REFTEL WAS THAT NONE OF LEGAL ARGUMENTS ADVANCED BY USG OR HMG SEEM PARTICULARLY COMPELLING; MAIN POINT IS WHETHER AS A PRACTICAL MATTER SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR NORWAY WILL FACILITATE OR COMPLICATE PARLIAMENTARY AND CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION OF IEP AGREEMENT. INsofar CONFIDENTIAL

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AS COMPARATIVE COMPLEXITY OF APPROACHES IS CONCERNED,

HE DID NOT QUARREL WITH US VIEW ON AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORWAY AND 16 OTHER STATES BUT DID FEEL PROTOCOL TO IEP AGREEMENT WAS SIMPLER APPROACH THAN SPECIAL AGREEMENT FOR ASSOCIATION.

3. FENN OBSERVED THAT ONLY SIGNIFICANT ELEMENT IN BLAND NORWEGIAN RESPONSE TO UK AIDE MEMOIRE WAS THAT NORWAY WAS OPEN TO ANY SUGGESTION ON FORM OF AGREEMENT ADOPTED. NORWEGIANS ADVISED THAT SPAIN, SWEDEN AND IRELAND HAD COMMUNICATED THEIR APPROVAL OF REVISED DAVIGNON DRAFT, AS HAD AUSTRIANS WHO WOULD NOT, HOWEVER, BE MAKING ANY FORMAL NOTIFICATION CONCERNING THEIR ATTITUDE.

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